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St. Mary Magdalen Roman Catholic Church, Brockley

2nd Sunday of Lent, 28th. Feb/1st. March 2026

We welcome all to today's Mass, especially visitors who are celebrating with us for the first time. Please take this bulletin home with you for further reflection on this week's celebration and to follow the activities in the Parish during the week.

REFLECTION

Transfiguration

Transfiguration! Jesus is changed entirely in front of his three disciples. Transfiguration! Abram receives a promise from God. Transfiguration! He will change our lowly body to conform with his glorified body. Sometimes we forget the meaning of the words that we use. For us Christians, often times we associate the word "transfiguration" only with the changes that seem to happen to Jesus when he goes up on the mountain with three of his disciples. There is no doubt, however, that the transfiguration is intended to give us hope. Just as the three followers of Jesus see this reality happening to Him and are strengthened in their faith, so also we are to be strengthened by the stories of our ancestors in the faith and by what is handed down to us about Jesus. Transfiguration is not only about something mystical happening to Jesus. It is also about our daily life when we choose to live in faith. Let us ask today that we might be transformed and transfigured so that together we can truly proclaim the salvation given to us in Jesus Christ and make His loving presence known throughout our world. **Fr Nat**

Mass Times & Intentions: 28 February 2026 — 9 March 2026

Sat. 28th. 6:30pm: Willie Duggan (Ann. R.I.P.)

Sun. 1st. 8.30am: Alex Lobow (God's Blessing, long life, good health and private intentions). 10:00am: Anne, Martin & Olive Whelan (Ann. R.I.P.). 11.30am: Catherine Darko (Good health and Well being)

Mon. 2nd. 9:30am: People of the Parish

Tue. 3rd. 9:30am: Brian Connolly (R.I.P)

Wed. 4th. 9:30am: Jeremiah O'Connor (Ann. R.I.P.)

Thur. 5th. 9:30am: George & Isabella Gilmour (R.I.P),

Fri: 6th. 9:30am: Lorrain & Catriona (Special Intention)

Sat. 7th 9:30am: :Gerald McPartlane (R.I.P.) Mary Carol (R.I.P)

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11.30am:

The SICK: Esta Joseph, Rosa Sanctos, Annie O'Kane, Aggrey Michael Davis, Peter Carey, Peter Ageyman, Mario Despisio, Fr. Morty, Joshua Twagira, Darabela Edmund, Margaret Pain, Juliana Charles, Audreh Khan, Ephraim Aluebhosele, Gwen Randall, Chinyere Oburota, Patrick Akanya, Kathy Langridge, Patricia Wocial & Maxine Leech. **ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH:** Mrs Marquis, Elizabeth Ejiofor, Zofia Kaczmarek, Janet Logan,



Willie Duggan, Phobe Cranmer, Phobe Collingwood, Ester Hunnan, George Yates, Mabel Ludlow, Paulina Pryszlakowska, Phillipe Henri Bercquez, Bridget Egan, Doris Daniels, Patrick Keating, Sarah Kavaz, Anthony Gozo, Bernard Collins, Cosma Jones, Phylis Maple, Margaret Kempny, Maria Maharaj, Stephen Haskell, Jeremiah O'Connor, Florence Kiely, Jacob Bamgboye, Timothy Cavanagh, Maus O'Brien, Mary Evans, Patrick McCorry, Elizabeth Brown, Monica Senior, Harry Tubb, Ivy Paine, Annie Byrne, Marcelle Ali, Betty Sullivan, Mary Cope & James Kilcoyne.

Parish is served by the Congregation of the Holy Spirit (Spiritans)

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Pastorals/Devotions: Confessions Saturday 11.30am –12noon, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament everyday from 9.00am - 9.30am. Tuesday 10am—11am. **Legion of Mary:** Tuesday 7pm.

Gentle reminders: Please turn off your mobile phones. You have the right to remain silent

TODAY'S READINGS

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON Cf. Ps 26: 8-9 Our soul is waiting for the LORD.

Of you my heart has spoken, Seek his face. It He is our help and our shield.
is your face, O Lord, that I seek; hide not your May your merciful love be upon us,
face from me. as we hope in you, O LORD. **R**

OPENING PRAYER: O God, who have commanded us to listen to your beloved Son, be pleased, we pray, to nourish us inwardly by your word, that, with spiritual sight made pure, we may rejoice to behold your glory. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

FIRST READING: Genesis 12:1-4a In those days: The LORD said to Abram, 'Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonours you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.' So Abram went, as the LORD had told him.

Reader: The word of the Lord.
All: Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 33(32):4-5. 18-19. 20, 22. R5b

*May your merciful love be upon us,
as we hope in you, O LORD.*

The word of the LORD is upright,
and all his works to be trusted.
The LORD loves justice and right,
and his merciful love fills the earth. **R**

Yes, the LORD's eyes are on those who fear him,
who hope in his merciful love,
to rescue their soul from death,
to keep them alive in famine. **R**

SECOND READING: 2 Timothy 1:8b-10 Beloved: We share in suffering for the gospel by the power of God, who saved us and called us to a holy calling not because of our works, but because of his own purpose and grace, which he gave us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, and which now has been manifested through the appearing of our Saviour Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.

Reader: The word of the Lord.
All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Matthew Glory to you, O Christ, Wisdom of God the Father. From a bright cloud, the Father's voice was heard: 'This is my beloved Son, listen to him'. Glory to you, O Christ, Wisdom of God the Father.

GOSPEL: Matthew 17:1-9 At that time: Jesus took with him Peter and James and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became white as light. And behold, there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. And Peter said to Jesus, 'Lord, it is good that we are here. If you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah.' He was still speaking when, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, 'This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.' When the disciples heard this, they fell on their faces and were terrified. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, 'Rise, and have no fear.' And when they lifted up their eyes, they saw no one, but Jesus

only. And as they were coming down the mountain, Jesus commanded them, 'Tell no one the vision, until the Son of Man is raised from the dead.'

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise be to you Lord Jesus Christ.

T H E N I C E N E C R E E D :

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I be-

lieve in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayer over the Offerings: May this sacrifice, O Lord, we pray, cleanse us of our faults and sanctify your faithful in body and mind for the celebration of the paschal festivities. Through Christ our Lord.

Communion Antiphon: Mt 17: 5 This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.

Prayer after Communion: As we receive these glorious mysteries, we make thanksgiving to you, O Lord, for allowing us while still on earth to be partakers even now of the things of heaven. Through Christ our Lord.

• Parish Prayer •

God our Father, we give you thanks and praise for calling us to share in the fullness of life and love that Jesus won for us.

Pour out your Holy Spirit upon our parish community. Changed by your Spirit may we become a community of disciples, attentive to the needs of all who come through our doors, and even those who don't.

We pray for your blessing upon every person in our parish community, and on all who live in and around our parish.

May they know your love, your presence, and your power in their lives.

For all who are struggling at this moment, we ask that you enter their lives and lift them. May our parish become a place of adoration, where the hungry are fed, the sick are healed, the bereaved are comforted, and all are made whole.

Softening our hearts to your will. Make us open to what you desire to do in and through our parish, and give us the courage and strength to follow your call.

We make this prayer in Jesus' name.

Amen.

Saint Mary Magdalen, pray for us.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Annual Retreat: Fr Nathaniel will be away to Leeds for Spiritans annual retreat from the afternoon of 1st March until the 6th of March. We wish him well and pray for him during this time.

Second collection: The second collection today is for CAFOD Lent Fast Day. CAFOD are the official aid agency for the Catholic Church in England and Wales. With your help they reach out to people living in poverty with practical help, whatever their religion or culture. Through their global Church network, one of the largest in the world, they have the potential to reach everyone. They campaign for global justice, so that every woman, man and child can live a full and dignified life. Thank you for your continued support.

Monthly Confession: Confession will be available after each Mass this weekend, the 28th February/1st March.

Stations of the Cross: Stations of the cross will be every Friday at 7:30pm and there will also be a short station of the cross after every Sunday Mass.

Lent Preparation for Jesus's Passion: You are invited to Lectio Divina, Holy Hour with the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Readings, every Wednesday from the 24th February at 7pm to 8pm in the Church, during the of Lenten season. A wonderful opportunity to prepare prayerfully for Holy Week. All welcome.

BBC Documentary: Secrets of the Conclave – Parish Screening: Please join us on **Sunday 1st March, after the 11:30am Mass**, for a screening of the BBC documentary *Secrets of the Conclave*, which explores the election of **Pope Leo**. This fascinating programme offers beautiful and rarely seen moments from the conclave that were not captured in news coverage, along with insightful interviews with Bishops and Cardinals reflecting on their experience of being present. It also highlights where the popular film *Conclave* took a few creative liberties. **Tea, coffee, and snacks will be served**, so do stay and enjoy this informative and engaging documentary with your fellow parishioners.

Pray the Romero Rosary at St George's Cathedral: Join Archbishop John Wilson and the Cathedral clergy in praying the rosary **every Friday at 5pm** throughout Lent. This is a beautiful opportunity to draw closer to

the Lord Jesus in prayer. Archbishop John will personally lead the devotion at the National Shrine of St Oscar Romero at St George's Cathedral (SE1 6HR) on **Friday 6th** and **Friday 27th March**. On all other Fridays during Lent, the Cathedral clergy will lead the rosary, followed by the Stations of the Cross at 6pm. Let the rosary connect you to the Lord Jesus this Lenten season. Find out more at: rcaos.org.uk/romerorosary

Confession: Confession is available every Saturday from 11.00am to 12 noon at the presbytery.

Obituary: Mrs Maureen Hynes one of our beloved parishioners, sadly passed away on Tuesday 17th February. Her body will be re-ceived into St Mary Magdalen's church on Thursday the 5th March at 7pm. Her Requiem Mass will take place on the 6th of March at 12noon, and burial at Streatham Park Cemetery, Rowan Rd SW16 at 2.30pm. We pray for peace and consolation for her family. May her gentle soul rest in peace.

Obituary: Mrs Theresa Mercedes Garraway one of our beloved parishioners, sadly passed away on the 19th of February 2026 at Princess Royal Hospital, aged 88. Her funeral will take place on Friday the 27th of March 10.00am at St Mary Magdalen church, then on to Grove park for burial at 12.00pm. We pray for peace and consolation for her family. May her gentle soul rest in peace.

Visiting the sick: If you are aware of any parishioner who is sick, house-bound or in a nursing home, please give their name to one of the clergy or send an email to the Parish office.

Hall rental: Please contact Fr. Nat or Fr. Christian for fees and availability.

Tea and Coffee: There is tea and coffee in the small hall, (access through the gate to the left of the church), after 10am and 11.30am Mass. Everyone is welcome.

Masses can be booked by telephone on 020 86911322, or by email at brockley@rcaos.org.uk. Mass offerings can be made online to the parish account.. Account name: RCAS Brockley, NatWest, Account Number: 79143962, Sort code 605001

“Listen to Jesus and follow him. That’s the message of the Transfiguration”.—Pope Francis

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